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In re Application of	:	
LOMONOSSOFF AND JOHNSON	:	
Application No. 09/580,704	:	DECISION GRANTING
Filed: May 30, 2000	:	PETITION UNDER
Attorney Docket No. DOW-04647	:	37 CFR 1.47(a)
For: MODIFIED PLANT VIRUSES AS	:	
VECTORS	:	

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed February 15, 2001 (certificate of mailing February 12, 2001.) The application file was recently forwarded to the Office of Petitions for consideration of the petition. The Office sincerely apologizes for any inconvenience caused to applicants.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the addresses given in the present petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1600 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-5589.

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